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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This responds to the requirement for restriction mailed August 11, 2004 in the above-identified application.

The Examiner has required restriction to one of the following inventions under 35 U.S.C. § 121.

- I. Claims 1-17, 33-39 and 47, directed to a cache memory system using independent processors to access cache memory locations, classified in class 711, subclass 118.
- II. Claims 18-26, 40-44, 48 and 49, directed to a cache memory system with address input selection, classified in class 711, subclass 3.
- III. Claims 27-32, 45, 46 and 50, directed to a cache memory system with address output selection, classified in class 711, subclass 118.

IV. Claims 51 and 52, directed to a cache memory with tag and data arrays, classified in class 711, subclass 129.

V. Claims 53-56, directed to a cache memory system with address incrementing and decrementing, classified in class 711, subclass 3.

Applicant hereby elects Group I, claims 1-17, 33-39 and 47, for prosecution in the present application.

The requirement for restriction is respectfully traversed. The claims are related and can most efficiently be examined in a single application. It is submitted that the search for the different claim groups would be coextensive. Accordingly, withdrawal of the requirement for restriction is respectfully requested.

The application is now ready for examination on the merits. If there are questions regarding this response, please contact Applicants' undersigned Attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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